



General Assembly

Substitute Bill No. 1034

January Session, 2011

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**AN ACT CONCERNING CRIMINAL OPERATION OF A MOTOR
VEHICLE THAT RESULTS IN DEATH OR SERIOUS PHYSICAL
INJURY.**

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. (NEW) (*Effective October 1, 2011*) Any person convicted of
2 a motor vehicle offense that resulted in the death or serious physical
3 injury of another person may, prior to sentencing for the offense, make
4 a statement, affirmation, gesture or expression of apology, fault,
5 sympathy, commiseration, condolence, compassion or a general sense
6 of benevolence to the victim of such offense, a relative of the victim or
7 a representative of the victim. Such statement, affirmation, gesture or
8 expression shall be made before the court in a courtroom closed to the
9 public at a time set by the court. The content of such statement,
10 affirmation, gesture or expression may be considered by the court in
11 determining the sentence to be imposed for such offense. Such
12 statement, affirmation, gesture or expression shall be inadmissible as
13 evidence of an admission of liability or as evidence of an admission
14 against interest in any civil or criminal proceeding. For the purposes of
15 this section, "serious physical injury" has the same meaning as
16 provided in section 53a-3 of the general statutes.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:

Section 1	<i>October 1, 2011</i>	New section
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JUD *Joint Favorable Subst.*